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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Re: Preliminary Amendment and
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Appl. No.: 08/875,888
102(e) Date: August 6, 1997
For: **New Pharmaceutical Composition
With Anaesthetic Effect**
Inventor: Brodin, *et al.*
Our Ref.: ABA300/13003

Sir:

The following documents are being forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.
Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Preliminary Amendment;
2. Information Disclosure Statement;
3. List of References Cited by Applicant; and
4. References AA1, AL1-AM1 and AR1.

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed postpaid post card be stamped with the date
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Applicants do not believe any fee is necessary for the filing of these documents. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 22-0365. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Vinson & Elkins L.L.P.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael A. Sanzo". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'M' and a long, sweeping underline.

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